



CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY

January 17, 2007

Dear Stakeholder:

The California High-Speed Rail Authority's January 29th public Board Meeting will be held in Sacramento at the State Capitol Building, Senate Hearing Room 112. **Please note the meeting is scheduled to begin at 10:00 am.**

At this meeting Authority staff will be presenting the ranking of firms for the Sacramento – Fresno, Fresno - Palmdale and Los Angeles – San Diego Preliminary Design and Project-Specific Environmental Regional Contracts. Authority staff will be requesting authorization to enter into agreements with the top-ranked firms for the three regions. Authority staff will be presenting draft Request for Proposal for the Project Manager Oversight contract. Additionally, the board will be given an overview of the engineering design criteria.

At the December 13, 2006 public board meeting the Authority authorized the Executive Director to enter into agreements with the Joint Venture of Hatch Mott McDonald/URS/Arup for the Palmdale – Los Angeles Preliminary Design/Project-Specific Environmental Regional Contract and STV Corporation for the Los Angeles – Orange County Preliminary Design/Project-Specific Environmental Regional Contract.

For information on the all of the Authority's work visit the Authority's website located at www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov.

I look forward to seeing you in Sacramento at our Board Meeting.

Sincerely,

Mehdi Morshed, Executive Director